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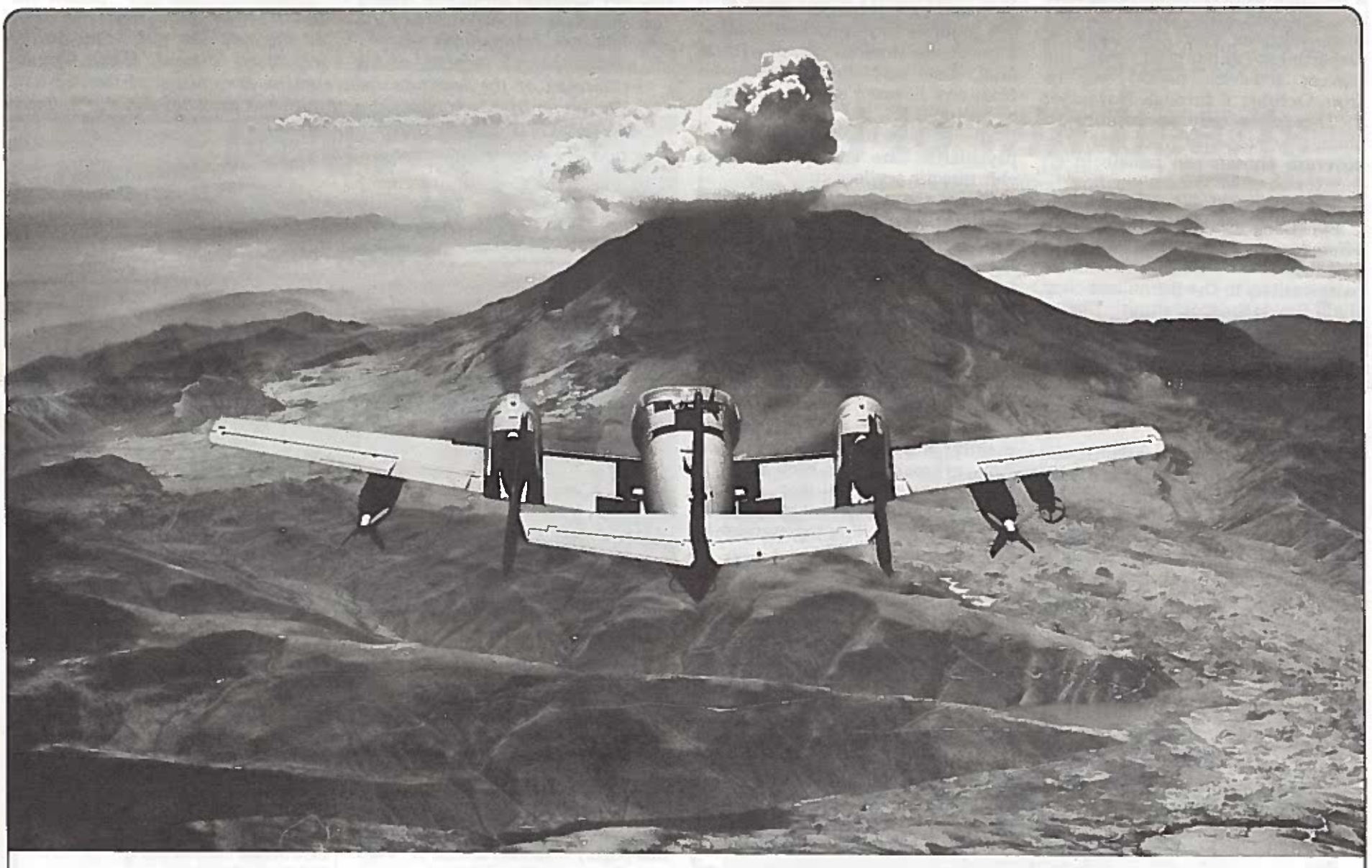

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Health plan sign up time

Planning for health care to meet family needs involves important decisions. To meet the different needs of some 20,000 Grummanites, the company is again offering a choice of health care coverage for 1981. This is the third year for Long Islanders and the first time those in the Washington, D.C. and Houston areas may choose between the traditional Grumman/Travelers Group Insurance Plan and coverage under a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO).

Each year, at about this time, you have an opportunity to select a program of health care protection for you and your family for the next calendar year. The Benefits Department announced that the current selection period will be from October 6 through November 7. This is the only opportunity to change coverage for next year. The coverage chosen will remain in effect for all of 1981.

For Long Islanders, the HMO's offered are: The Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Greater New York — HMO (with centers in the Bronx and New Hyde Park); the Community Health Plan of Suffolk (Hauppauge); the Health Insurance Plan (HIP) of Greater New York (Hicksville, North Babylon, Lake Ronkonkoma, Hempstead and several centers in New York City).

In Houston, the Prudential Health Care Plan, Inc. will be offered for the first time and Grummanites in the Washington, D.C. area may choose coverage with the Kaiser Georgetown Community Health Plan.

About 10% of Long Islanders offered a choice of coverage over the past three years have chosen the HMO option.

Group Health Insurance Plans, like the Grumman/Travelers, cover health problems as they occur by reimbursing incurred claims in accordance with a schedule. HMO's are pre-paid medical plans which stress preventive care.

An HMO is basically a group practice of general practitioners, specialists and other health care professionals who share a health center. Members are served at the center or, as required, with an affiliated hospital for surgical or emergency care.

HMO members are encouraged to have regular checkups. A group insurance plan typically does not pay for general physical examinations.

Those who choose health coverage under the traditional Grumman/Travelers Plan, however, are not restricted to a particular group of health care professionals and are not required to receive treatment at a particular medical center or hospital. One may choose treatment from any licensed doctor, specialist or hospital.

Also, HMOs provide only limited psychiatric care and do not cover chiropractic services.

Those Grummanites who choose an HMO retain coverage under the dental, disability, and life insurance plans. It is important to note, however, that certain oral surgical procedures are not part of the dental plan, but are provided under the surgical portion of the group health plan. A Grummanite joining an HMO would not be covered for these services.

Early in October eligible Grummanites will be receiving an application, a brochure for each HMO in his or her residential area, an open house invitation to visit each center, and a letter detailing the enrollment procedure.

AT WHAT COST?

Grumman pays the entire cost to support the group insurance health plan and in large part the cost of HMO coverage. In those cases, however, where the HMO premium exceeds Grumman's individual or family plan costs, the HMO member must contribute the balance of the premium.

Navigator to pilot. *Joe Gavin, the President of the Grumman Corporation, spoke about the future of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (A.I.A.A.) to the members who attended the September 16 meeting of the Long Island Chapter. Gavin was the chairman of the Institute Development Committee of the A.I.A.A. The committee was charged with plotting the direction this national association is to take. Gavin is president-elect of the national association. He will take over the presidency in May of next year.*

In 1981, the Community Health Plan of Suffolk, the Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Greater New York — HMO on Long Island, the Kaiser Georgetown Community Health Plan and the Prudential Health Plan, Inc. will all require employee contributions in addition to the company payment. (See the box on this page.)

Monthly HMO Payroll Deductions for 1981

	Family	Individual
Community Health Plan of Suffolk	$ 5.44	$ 2.31
Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Greater New York	$ 7.08	$ 10.25
Health Insurance Plan	— none —	
Kaiser Georgetown	*	*
Prudential Health Care Plan	$20.05	$2.94

*to be announced

A Grummanite wishing to remain a member of one of these plans would have to authorize a payroll deduction or lose HMO coverage and be re-enrolled in the Grumman/Travelers Plan effective January 1, 1981. All new members to any of these centers would also of course have to contribute, via payroll deduction, to help support that membership.

Open House dates for the HMOs are listed below. In addition, representatives from the Long Island area HMOs and The Travelers will be available to answer during certain lunch periods in various cafeterias during the first two weeks of the enrollment period. Watch Newsboard for the schedule.

Community Health Plan of Suffolk, Inc.
3001 Express Drive North
Hauppauge, NY 11787
(516) 582-9800
Oct. 1, 8, 15, 20, 22 and 29 at 7:00 pm; Oct 18 at 10:00 am

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Greater NY — HMO
Montefiore Hospital Medical Group
3444 Kossuth Ave.
Bronx, NY 10467
(516) 352-2000
(212) 343-7500
Oct. 15, 1980 7:30 pm

Community Health Program of Queens-Nassau, Inc.
410 Lakeville Rd
New Hyde Park, NY 11040
(516) 352-2000
(212) 343-7500
Oct. 16, 1980 7:30 pm

Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York

Central Nassau Center
226 Clinton Street
Hempstead, N.Y. 11550
(516) 483 - 2020
Oct. 25 - 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

East Nassau Medical Group
350 South Broadway
Hicksville, New York 11801
(516) 938 - 0100
Oct. 18 - 12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.

Suffolk Center
300 Bay Shore Road
North Babylon, N.Y. 11703
(516) 586 - 2700
Oct. 14 - 8 p.m.

Lake Ronkonkoma Center
640 Hawkins Avenue
Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y. 11779
(516) 737 - 0100
Oct. 23 - 7:30 p.m.

(In Washington and Houston, ask Personnel for open house information.)

Appointments announced

A number of appointments were announced for Personnel and Administration on September 11.

Robert E. Foster and Richard C. Higgins, Jr., were named deputy directors of Personnel and Administration. In addition, Ronald W. Anders and Ted L. Giannone were named assistants to the director.

All will report directly to Daniel E. Knowles, director, Personnel and Administration.

Frank E. Campbell, John Marshall and Daniel F. O'Brien will take on new responsibilities and report to Foster. Campbell was named director, Personnel Relations and Compensation; Marshall, director, Field Administration and Travel; and O'Brien, director, Employment and Career Development.

Augustine J. Lanzo is now director, Personnel and Administration Operations, and Arthur Leach is director of Administrative Services. Both men will report to Higgins.

Grumman lauded at museum fete

Grumman Aerospace President George Skurla was manager of Operations at the Kennedy Space Center when the first LEM, named "Eagle", landed on the moon.

Last Sunday, Skurla accepted a woodcarving of an eagle from the Cradle of Aviation Museum. "We wanted to recognize Grumman's enthusiastic support of the museum," said the museum's Martin Gach. On the base of the one-and-a-half foot by two foot woodcarving depicting an eagle alighting onto the side of a mountain are engraved the words, "The Eagle has landed". Neil Armstrong used those words to report landing on the moon on July 20, 1969.

The award ceremony took place at the museum, which is located in Mitchell Field.

Another award was presented to Grumman. This one was a plaque from Peter F. Cohalan and Francis T. Purcell, the Executives of Suffolk and Nassau Counties.

There was one surprise. Chuck Scarborough, the master of ceremonies, read a letter from Leroy Grumman. "Sorry I could not be with you all today," he wrote. "Those of us who founded Grumman 50 years ago had an opportunity to go to Bristol, Pennsylvania. But we were Long Islanders."

That best explains the reason Grumman got a plaque from the two counties.

Long Island spirit. *Grumman Aerospace President George Skurla (L) and WNBC TV's Chuck Scarborough had a chance to talk after the award ceremony, which Scarborough hosted. Skurla accepted awards from Nassau and Suffolk Counties and from The Cradle of Aviation Museum. They are standing in front of the museum's sister craft of Charles Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis."*

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Here's a reminder for scholars

Application forms and general rules for the Grumman Tuition Reimbursement Program are now available at all Employee Service offices and Field Services and Field Operations offices.

Students are reminded that applications for the fall semester must be filed with Tuition Reimbursement office, Plant 39, within 30 days of the school's last date of registration.

If you have any questions, call the Tuition Reimbursement office, Ext. 3385.

Meet the Grumman line. *Islander stars (from Foreground) Bobby Nystrom, Wayne Merrick and Bobby Lorimer got to see Grumman's stars of the air.*

Young Hero. *Four-year-old John Warren was given a model biplane by Grumman Aerospace President George Skurla. John is the 1980 March of Dimes poster boy.*

Out to win hearts

The population of Plant 1 stood and applauded when George Skurla led the visitors into the building. Plant 30 didn't stop buzzing until after noon, and they had left there at 9:30! The March of Dimes couldn't have picked better representatives.

Bobby Lorimer, Wayne Merrick and Bobby Nystrom of the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup winning New York Islanders brought back the excitement of that Saturday afternoon in May, the day they beat the Philadelphia Flyers for the oldest trophy in professional sports.

When they came to visit Grumman's Bethpage and Calverton facilities, they brought with them the hero of another, more serious game. They brought four-year-old John Warren, the 1980 poster boy of the March of Dimes.

Skurla took John and his mother, Barbara, and the Islanders through the facilities to help generate interest in this year's March of Dimes Campaign. Long Island's heroes have been active in the campaign, and their tour of Grumman was a smash. Some 120 Grummanites purchased tickets for a March of Dimes fund-raising volleyball game between the Islanders and the Playboy Bunnies.

The March of Dimes presented awards to two Grummanites, JoAnn Cipriano of Computer Applications/and Sandra Volpe of Business Development, for their individual efforts in the March of Dimes Walkathon held in April. The two women raised more money than any other Grummanites participating in the event. They raised over $700 together, most of it pledged from people in Plant 35.

No hockey puck. *Donna Pergolizzy (L) and Laura Spaton had better than front row seats. They had the luck to meet Wayne Merrick of the New York Islanders.*

Neighbors salute 50th

Nassau County sent birthday greetings, Grumman! So did Suffolk County and the Towns of Islip and Riverhead and the City of Milledgeville.

Nassau County, Grumman's home for all 50 years, named a parcel of land for the company. The triangular property sits northwest of Long Island's Nassau Coliseum, between Charles Lindbergh and Earl Ovington Boulevards.

Grumman Corporation Chairman Jack Bierwirth received the honor on behalf of the corporation from Nassau County Executive Francis T. Purcell. Purcell made the presentation at Long Island Loves Business, Inc.'s, "Showcase '80".

Ed Carty, of Long Island Loves Business, Inc., said that communities on Long Island had chosen to honor Grumman because of the way the company has grown, all the while remaining loyal to Long Island. "Grumman certainly is a valued member of the Island and, considering what the company is doing for the country as a whole, that should be noted."

Suffolk County also did several special things for the company. First, the county proclaimed the day of the luncheon, June 18, as "Grumman Day".

In addition, the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead voted to change the name of Swan Pond Road to Grumman Boulevard. Grumman Boulevard runs along the south side of the company's Calverton facility, where Grumman aircraft are finished and flight tested.

Another Suffolk County town honored the company. The Town of Islip issued a proclamation and presented it to Bruno Caputo, the general manager of Great River Operations. Electronic components for our military and commercial business are assembled at Great River, which is located in Islip. Town Supervisor Nicholas LaGrande presented the proclamation at Great River's annual family picnic. Over 1000 people were there.

There are many places Grumman calls "home", and one is Milledgeville, Georgia.

This year, the city marked the company's 50 years of life with a proclamation of its own. "Since 1975," the proclamation states in part, "Grumman Aerospace Corporation has been a civic and charitable leader in our community. Grumman Aerospace has strongly contributed to the growth and betterment of the entire area in all aspects."

people

He was there

History is underscored when the nation places the ribbon holding the inverted, five-pointed star around the neck of one of its heroes. Just being there, watching a brave man accept the Medal of Honor, is a historic experience.

"Unbelieveable, " was the only way Lenny DiProspo could describe the experience, even though it was three days after he watched Anthony Casamento of Long Island receive the nation's highest award from President Jimmy Carter in the White House Rose Garden. Lenny, who has met Vice President Mondale, Tip O'Neal and other famous people, found the ceremony a world apart. "I don't know what I'm doing here today. I'm emotionally exhausted."

Lenny, an accountant in General Accounting in Plant 30, and his wife, Judy, who is on Long Island Congressman Tom Downey's staff, were invited by mailgram to the ceremony. "For a week, I couldn't think of anything else.

"We drove up to the White House on Friday (September 12). The gates were opened for us and a guard asked our names. From then on," Lenny recalled, "I had a feeling of pride and excitement I can't express!

"Judy and I walked up to the portico and into the cabinet room, where we saw the names of the Secretaries on the backs of their chairs. There was a Marine guard in the room and just outside was the Rose Garden where the presentation was going to be made."

Lenny and his wife had seats in the second row. His was the first seat. "An officer came over to me and asked us to move over one seat for Rosalynn Carter's secretary. Mrs. Carter sat right in front of her."

"Then, Tony Casamento came out with his wife, and the President came next. You hear 'Hail to the Chief' so many times, but, to hear it here; people were in a trance!"

The emotion of the moment when Tony received the Medal of Honor, after waiting 38 years for it, overcame everyone, Lenny says. Even the President, Tony recalls, seemed to have tears as he embraced the tearful hero.

"Mrs. Carter then invited everyone in to the State Dining Room for the reception. Mrs. Carter was mingling with the crowd there and I asked her to take a photograph with me."

Lenny tried to take the whole experience in, but he did miss something. He was looking all around, just after the Medal had been presented. The President came around to shake hands with some of the 150 people who were there. Judy got to shake the President's hand, but poor Lenny missed the opportunity.

Lenny missed little else, though. "I think all of that could have only happened in this country. I shall cherish the day for a long time."

Only in America. *"I shall cherish this day for a long time", Lenny Di Prospo said of his experience watching President Carter award the Medal of Honor to Anthony Casamento of Long Island. Lenny topped his day with this photo with the First Lady, Rosalynn Carter.*

First of many

Kathy Grastataro is the first recipient of Grumman's new Manufacturing Engineering/Technology scholarship.

The two-year scholarship is worth $3,500 per year and is available to Long Island students who are eligible to matriculate into the junior year of a college accredited to give a bachelor's degree in manufacturing engineering/technology.

Kathy received her two year associate's degree in mechanical technology from the State University Agricultural and Technical College at Farmingdale. She will study for her bachelor's degree in manufacturing technology at Weber State University in Ogden, Utah.

"With 'productivity' the buzz word for the Eighties," says

Kathy Grastataro

Dick Cyphers, deputy director of Manufacturing and chairman of the Manufacturing Scholarship Recommendation Committee, "Grumman is keen on educating young people in the field of manufacturing engineering and technology. This field will really be hopping in the next two decades as the United States concentrates on improving its productivity."

After Kathy finished her summer job in manufacturing, she headed out west to Utah. . .ready to put tuition worries behind her and concentrate on her college work. She'll return to work at Grumman next summer.

Mohawk records explosive event

Designed to detect enemy military at night and used extensively during the Vietnam Conflict, the Army/Grumman OV-1 Mohawk is "an indispensable tool for the volcanologist," proclaims Capt. Charles Rosenfeld of the Oregon Army National Guard.

The Guard's 1042d Military Intelligence Company has been flying surveillance training flights over the Cascade Mountains' volcanoes in the Northwest since 1975.

When Mt. St. Helens awoke on March 27, 1980, from a 123-year hiatus, the Guard began usings its 15 Mohawks to keep an even closer watch on the active volcano.

Supplied by the Mohawk, images and photos of Mt. St. Helens' activities will be used by volcanologists for years to come, states Capt. Rosenfeld.

Keen imagery

One of Mohawk's main tools is an infrared surveillance system. Unlike an ordinary visible light camera, this system records hot and cold images of the landscape — not dark and light. The OV-1 also has side-looking airborne radar (SLAR) that can penetrate cloud cover with its microwaves and produce an image of the hidden area.

"We began closely monitoring Mt. St. Helens at the end of March," states Capt. Stephen Hammons, a Mohawk pilot for over 11 years and a Vietnam veteran. Because the Guard does not have a full-time permanent team, it sent Mohawks up about every two to three days when its crew reported for drills.

With the IR detection system, the Mohawk crews began to detect a lot of activity on one of the youngest volcanoes in the Cascades. "The northeast side had a bulge that was growing about five feet a day since mid-April," says Hammons.

He recalls flying over Mt. St. Helens on May 18 around 5:30 in the morning. "There was a sharp increase in the thermal activity in the crater area. . .increased hot spots were noted on the 'boot' and the bulge. These changes were quite different from just 48 hours before. We flew home knowing that an eruption was coming soon."

Hot spots

Adds Rosenfeld, "However, just as the thermograph recording film was being developed, we learned that a passing aircraft had witnessed an explosive eruption at 8:30 a.m."

Because it was during a weekend drill, the Guard was deployed immediately to assess the damage and help in search-and-rescue.

Both Rosenfeld's and Hammons' initial reaction to the blast was one of astonishment. "I've never seen anything as destructive in my life," says Hammons. "Big Douglas fir trees over 200 feet tall with 3 to 4 feet wide trunks were blown out of the ground at their roots. They looked like toothpicks."

North side. *Since Mt. St. Helens blew the southwest portion of its tops, the northern countryside still is covered with big Douglas firs. (Photos by Gerry Costello)*

Rosenfeld, who holds a PhD and is assistant geography professor at Oregon State University, has travelled the world to study volcanoes. "I never thought I would ever see anything like that in my life. The explosion was several echelons beyond my wildest imagination."

"The blast was similar to a 50 kiloton A-bomb nuclear blast. Absolutely unbelievable."

Record blast

A dense, mushroom-shaped plume of ash rose into the stratosphere, obscuring everything to the north and east of the mountain. Using the SLAR, images of the concealed crater were obtained. "This showed the first measurement of the full dimensions of the explosion crater: 2.2 miles in length from north to south and 1.1 miles in width," says Rosenfeld. "Nearly a cubic mile of mountain was gone!"

Thanks to Mohawk's surveillance capabilities, the U.S. Geological Survey through the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries was supplied with SLAR images of the new crater and the IR photos of mud flows and forest fires.

"On several occasions we'd shoot IR imagery of moving mud flows caused by the rapid melting of the glaciers," says Hammonds. "Helicopter crew members went in and took the temperature of the flow and we'd be able to set up a measurement chart and determine how fast the mud flows were cooling down."

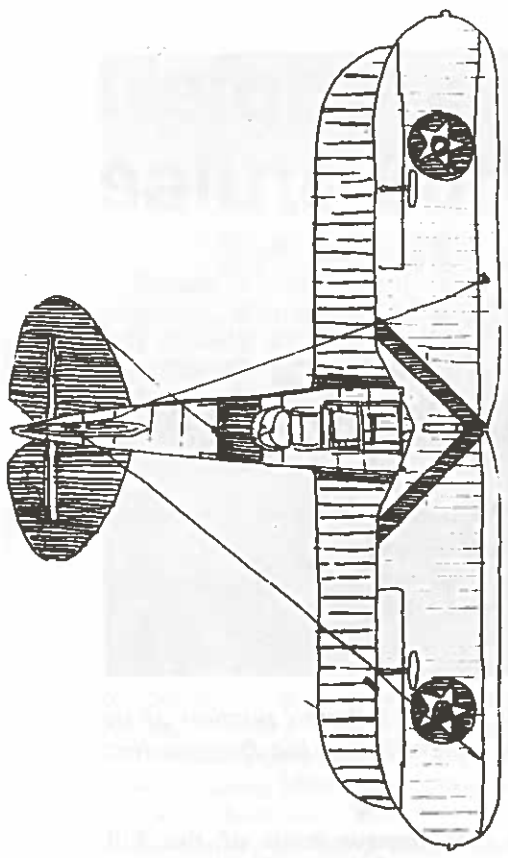
On the spot

By mid-summer, the Guard's missions to Mt. St. Helens became less frequent. But during a late July flight, Rosenfeld was only a few miles from the active volcano when it erupted again. The hot lava dome that had been growing in the crater since the last eruption on June 12 vanished. A dark plume of ash was belched into the sky to a height of over 45,000 feet. "Believe me. The Mohawk is a very stable flying platform. . .ideal for observing volcanoes close-up," reports Rosenfeld.

Rosenfeld and other volcanologists believe that we haven't heard the last from Mt. St. Helens. The last time she woke up in the 1800s, she was active for over 50 years.

"This time we've got the Mohawk and all its surveillance tools," says Rosenfeld. "Geologist will be studying the images and photographs we've been collecting for decades to come."

Crater view. *The OV-1 Mohawk pilot keeps his aircraft a safe distance away from the active volcano. Mt. St. Helens creates its own weather inside the crater.*



Thrills of 50 years at fan

If you've always wanted to see a Hellcat up close, or if you've never seen an F-14 take off, or if your kids don't know what you do for a living, then circle Saturday, October 11, 1980 on your calendar. It's Grumman Family Day at Calverton, a day to celebrate the company's 50th anniversary.

With the clear, crisp, autumn weather that has been ordered, it should be a perfect day for taking a drive with your family — and for walking around in the sunshine, eating hot dogs, looking at airplanes, seeing old friends, and making new ones.

Current and retired Grummanites and their families are invited. If you haven't picked up your tickets yet, there's still some time left to do so. Tickets are available in all Employee Service offices, and retirees can get their tickets at the Grumman Recreation building on South Oyster Bay Road in Bethpage.

Family Day offers something for everyone. It will be a real nostalgia trip for many, especially those who started with the company in its early years. For long-timers and retirees, it will be a chance to see Wildcats, Widgeons, Tigercats, and Mallards — just like the ones they helped to roll off the production lines here so many years ago. More than 20 vintage aircraft are expected.

For Grummanites who worked here during the 1960's, when the whole country was caught up in the excitement of landing a man on the moon, there will be a full-scale mock-up of the Lunar Module. If your kids are too young to remember moon rocks and Neil Armstrong, you can tell them all about it.

And maybe it's a bit difficult to explain to your family what your job in Integrated Logistics Support Supply Readiness Department is all about. On Family Day, you can show them the end product: an A-6, an E-2C, an EA-6B, or a sleek and intimidating F-14.

For many non-Calverton Grummanites, Family Day is a chance to see the place where some of the finest aircraft in the world fly over the fence.

Opens at 10 AM

The two south gates on Grumman Blvd./Swan Pond Road will open at 10 a.m. The other gates will not be open. All activities will be in the Plant 7 complex.

When you arrive, follow the directions of Plant Protection members to the parking areas. Parking is color-coded; blue tickets park in the sections with blue signs. Bus transportation will be available in some parking areas.

After you've picked up a map that will show you what to see and where to find it, take a walk over to the area adjacent to Hangar 2 and Hangar 3 to see all the vintage aircraft on static display. Many of the planes, meticulously restored down to the last detail, have won awards at national air shows.

There will be a brief ceremony at approximately 1 p.m., and then each of the old aircraft will be introduced as they taxi down the runway and fly by the crowd. After that, the next generation of aircraft, the A-6E, E-2C, EA-6B, and the F-14 will also take to the sky.

Inside the hangars, you can find out even more about the current product line. Each of the present-day aircraft will be on static display with an audio-visual presentation to explain their histories and complex systems.

For a look into the future, there will be models of Grumman designs for a VTOL (vertical takeoff and landing) and a forward-swept wing aircraft.

In case

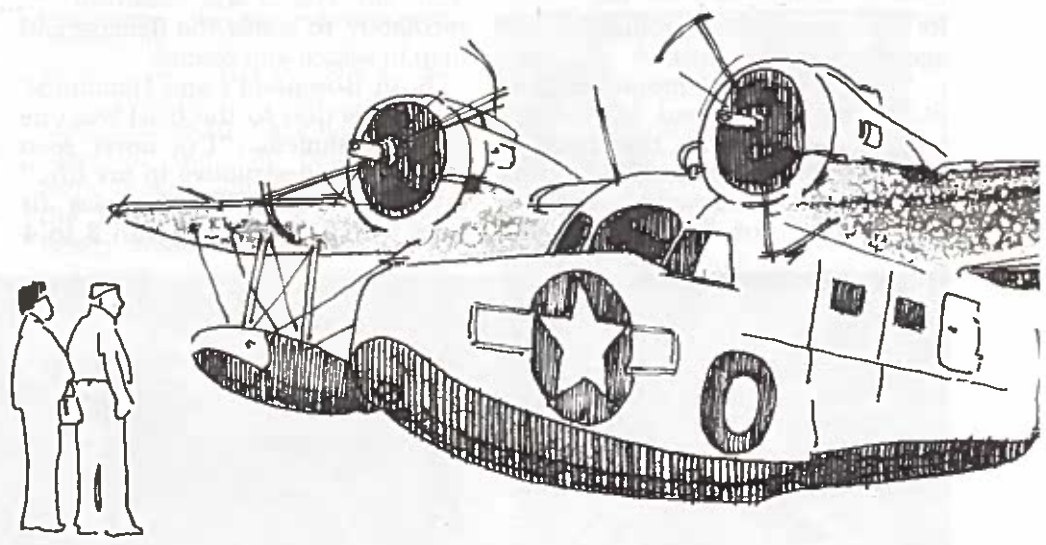
Keep your fingers crossed for good weather, but if it should rain on October 11, Family Day will be held on Sunday, October 12.

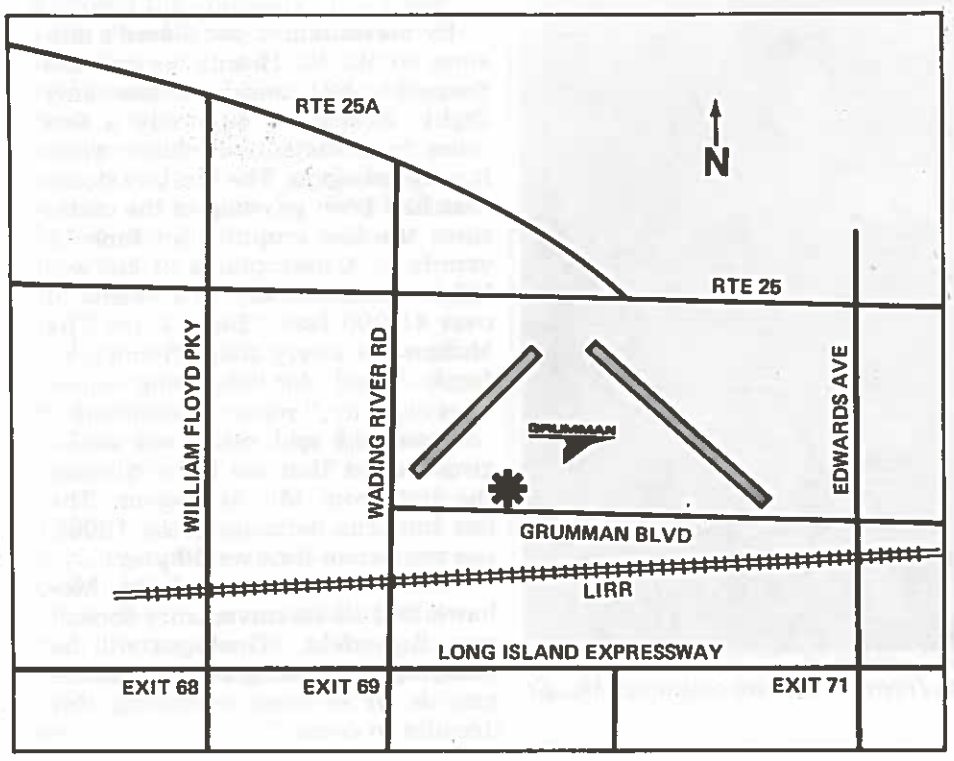
If you're in doubt, call either of the following numbers for the recorded announcement of the weather decision:

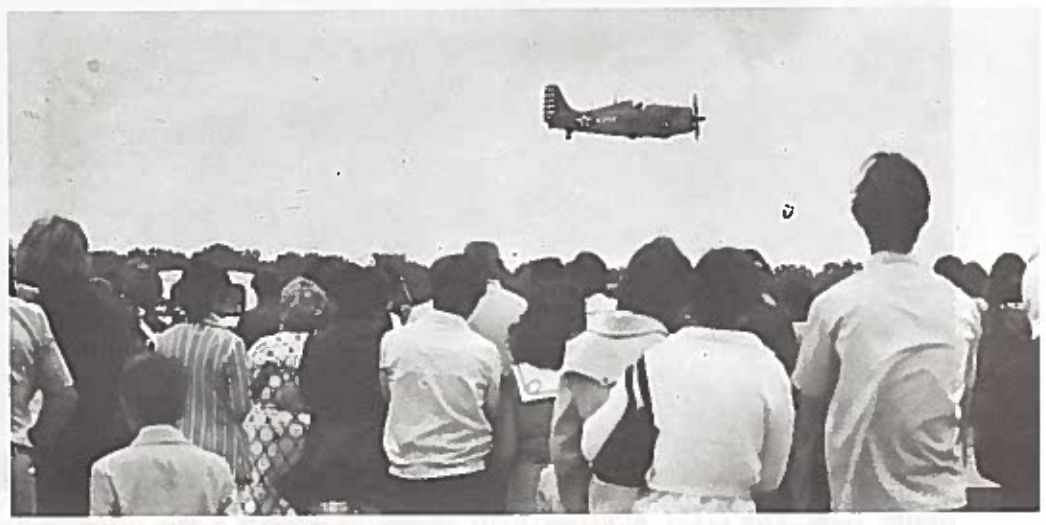
In Calverton: 369-2266; in Bethpage, 349-9400.

Or tune in to any of the following AM radio stations:

WGBB — 1240 in Freeport;
WGLI — 1290 in Babylon;
WALK — 1370 in Patchogue;
WGSM — 740 in Huntington.







Wings of old, wings of gold. *The Grumman family saw history take to the air 1974. Don't miss this chance to show off your part in 50 historic Grumman yea*

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A space exhibit is also planned, with models of the projects Grumman is working on for NASA, such as the Manned Remote Work Station and the deployable space antenna. The display explains how these projects may change the way we live, work, and communicate in the not-too-distant future.

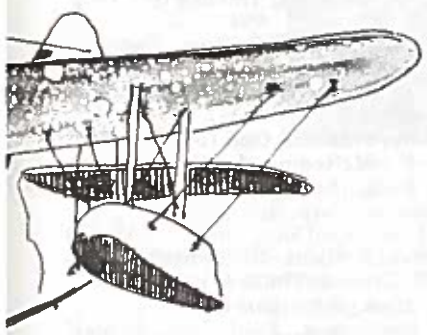
Hughes Aircraft will have an exhibit, and Pratt and Whitney will have a multi-media show on their long association with Grumman. Grumman will have a multi-media show of its own, a tribute to the first 50 years. The Grumman Memorabilia Van will be there, too.

Out in the courtyard, the LM will share center stage with the beautiful orange and blue Gulfhawk, on loan from the Smithsonian Institution.

If you get hungry, there will be four food stands nearby. Hot dogs, coffee, soda, and ice cream will be available for purchase.

Since no special event is complete without music, the Grumman Employees Band will be performing throughout the day.

So pick up your tickets, get out your walking shoes, and don't miss the biggest birthday party of the year.



the last Family Day, held in June

The way it was

Grumman
Let Us Do Our Part For The Defense Of The Nation

PLAN OPEN HOUSE HERE ON DEC. 7

Will Celebrate Official Opening Of New Plant

Family Day at Grumman is only two weeks off. For a few Grummanites with low badge numbers, that day will bring back memories of another open house here almost 39 years ago—on December 7, 1941.

Over 21,000 people were here that day to celebrate the opening of Plant 2. And on the other side of the world, the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor.

In his book, *The Grumman Story*, Richard Thruelsen recounts the events of that afternoon this way:

"That bright Sunday, which was a day of festivity, a welcoming speech by Jake Swirbul, band music, refreshments, and a general air of self-congratulations, was also to be one of a kind. Some time during the middle of the afternoon Clint Towl was called to the phone by the man running the PA systems, who had just heard over the radio that Pearl Harbor had been attacked. Envisioning a scene of mass confusion, Towl warned his informant to say nothing and then instructed a group of guards and maintenance men to plug the refreshment pipeline. This initiated a 'lets-go-home' movement among the children, and the crowd was ushered off the grounds as diplomatically as possible. When the gate clanged shut on the last visitor Grumman became off limits to the public for the duration. Towl and his group immediately started searching the plant for saboteurs."

Henry McDonald of Plant 2 was at the open house with his parents and his bride-to-be.

"It was a big thing for all of us to show our families where we worked," he says. "I remember taking them to see the J2F Duck on the assembly line. It wasn't until later on, when we were on our way home, that we heard about Pearl Harbor."

Al Fenn works in ILS Pricing in Plant 30. In 1941 he was "a 19 year old kid. I took my father and my uncle with me to the open house, and we had a great time. They were both interested in airplanes and machinery and they were quite impressed with what they saw here. But it was later on in the afternoon—we were listening to a Giants football game, I think—that we heard that the Japanese had attacked. And it was exactly one year later, on December 7, 1942, that I was sworn into the U.S. Army Air Force."

Al came back here after the war.

Joe Mystkowski, who works in Tool Fabrication in Plant 2, brought his grandparents and his mother to the open house.

"I remember that my grandmother was overwhelmed with the amount of food they had here. They were from Poland, and she said she had never seen so much food in one place. It was a wonderful day here . . . and things changed so abruptly. We were in my 1938 Buick on Woodbury Road when we heard the news.

"It was very, very quiet at work the next day. A lot of people had friends or sons over there and we didn't know what their fate was."

The Dec. 10, 1941 *Newsgram*—a Bethpage weekly newspaper that carried company news as well as town news—featured interviews with several Grummanites.

"Ed Moebes, of Cowling, Plant 1, says: 'Our jobs here are just as important as those of the men in the service. Their success in the air depends entirely on how well we construct our planes.'

". . . And Mitchell Mottus . . . of the Folding Wings Department in Plant 1 says, 'We were forced into this war, and it will take the best efforts of all of us to bring it to a successful conclusion. Aircraftsmen shouldn't forget that the man who builds the plane is as important as the man who flies it.' "

And this, in part, was the editorial for that week:

"To us has been given the task of making flying weapons for the Navy and we cannot follow the patriotic crowds to recruiting stations, but we can and will devote ourselves grimly to producing planes as rapidly and as well as we know how to build them.

". . . "Our President has promised, 'The American people in their righteous might will fight through to complete victory.'

"Hour by hour, day after day, the work of our hands will make that promise come true, and assure peace, security, and liberty for us and our children."

"I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING"
ISN'T THAT CUTE? DOES IT FLY? ARE THEY HEAVY? ETC, ETC ----
"I SHOULD'A BRUNG THE WHOLE BUNCH ALONG."
"ISN'T FLYING ROMANTIC?
VERY INTERESTING INDEED!"
THE MOST POPULAR MAN IN THE PLACE
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"THIS IS WHERE I WORK, DEAR"
"THEY AUGHTA LET THE GALS IN MORE OFTEN.

They came, they saw, they liked it!

The cartoon was printed in the December 10, 1941 edition.

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what do you think?

Whether your retirement date is decades away or right around the corner, it's difficult to predict how the retirement world really is. To get an insider's view, PLANE NEWS asked Grumman retirees at their recent McKay Field picnic. . .is your retirement everything you expected it to be?

Ted Frick

It's better than I expected. I was afraid I wouldn't have enough activities to fill the day. That's not the case. My wife and I have travelled the world together . . . . . Asia, South America . . . My part-time retail store job keeps me extra busy in the mornings and affords us to see the world. (Ted retired from Grumman 11 years ago. He worked in Plant 24 Receiving Inspection.)

Floyd Cheshire

We certainly haven't been lazy. We split the year, six months at our Riverhead home and the other months we spend at our Boynton Beach home in Florida. We're lucky to have our Long Island home mortgage all paid off. After a few years of visiting friends in Florida, we decided to build our own home nine years ago.

How you approach retirement depends a lot on your personality. Wise investments don't hurt either. It's a pleasure having the time and good health to travel whenever it moves you. (Floyd retired 13 years ago from Plant 2.)

William Skinner

It's great having no restrictions on time. A few days a week I build hovercraft in Bayside. The boss lets me come and go as I please. I just wave and say "see you in a few days." My job keeps me off the streets and helps pay for my trips around the country. We usually take advantage of the GAA packages. In addition, I've become quite a good painter of hex signs. Retirement has been a lot better than I ever imagined. (William retired from the Plant 2 Weld shop over eight years ago.)

Max Grefe

We've been very fortunate. Both my wife and I worked. Our home was paid for by the time we went on a fixed income. It didn't take us too long to set a nice easy pace of living. Not having to count vacation days is great. We travel whenever we wish or stop by the local Senior Citizen Club to be with good friends. Other people on a fixed income are having a tough time of it, but we've been quite fortunate. We've got good friends, health and pocket money for travelling. (Max retired from Plant 2 over 13 years ago.)

calendar

Aikido Club: every Mon. and Wed., 5 p.m., GAA bldg.; all Grumman employees welcome. B. Bauman, Ext. 3013

Alcholics Anonymous: every Mon., 5 p.m., Pl. 15, conference room C, closed meetings; Personnel Relations, Ext. 3521; Calverton: Chemical Dependency Discussion Group, every Mon., 4-5 p.m., Hdq. Bldg.; open meeting. C. Robb, Ext. 117-6526

Coin Club: (Calverton) every Fri., noon lunch, Pl. 6 conference room. W. Kondratowicz, Ext. 6680

Dance Club: every Wed., 5-8 p.m., American Legion Hall, Plainview. Guest Welcome. E. Traina, Ext. 2263/M. Brown, Est. 115-3406

Duplicate Bridge Club: every Thurs., 6 p.m., GAA bldg. Guests welcome. W. Lipman, Ext. 2407

Fencing Club: every Wed., 4:30-7:00 p.m., GAA bldg. Guests welcome. J. Hayne, Ext. 5556/P. Chaldaris, Ext. 3638

Folk Dancer's Club: (Calverton) every Thurs., 2nd Floor, Pl. 6, lunchtime, Grumman employees only. J. Hamelman, Ext. 117-6835

GACE Flying Club: Tues., Oct. 14, 5 p.m., G.A.A. auditorium. Guests welcome. R. Reisch, Ext. 5967

Karate Club: every Tues. and Thurs., GAA bldg., 5:15 to 7:00 p.m., black belt instructors, physical and mental development; beginners welcome; guests welcome. T. Ortiz, Ext. 4764

Model Railroad Society: every Wed., 7 p.m., GAA bldg. Regular meeting. Guests welcome. R. Muntz, Ext. 115-6330

Rod & Gun Club: is offering a 1980 Firearms hunter safety course on Wed., Oct. 1, 7-10 p.m., and on Wed. Oct. 8, 7-10 p.m., (6 hours are required) Pl. 45, Woodbury. Guests welcome. G. Elias, Ext. 113-7716

Tennis Club: 2nd Wed. of every month, 5 p.m., Pl. 5 conference room A. M. Dolderer, Ext. 6498

Credit restraints off

Business is back to normal at the Bethpage Federal Credit Union. As of August 1, Federal credit restraints were lifted and former credit lines were restored.

"Now is the time to apply for BFCU's VISTA card if you've been postponing the process," reports Pete Seitz, credit union general manager.

Members of the Bethpage branch should keep an eye out for the grand opening of the three new automated teller machines. "The Safe" will be on-line early in the fall. More information will be mailed to members in the near future.

Step right up. *Irene Mahon of Plant 35 is the model for the new credit union brochure featuring 'The Safe.' Three automated teller machines will be on-line by the end of October (one in Bethpage lobby; one at the drive-up window; and one in the little building across from Pl. 5).*

National traumas

Tomcats shot down in Texas

Fate was cruel to the Grumman men's varsity softball team once again at the Nationals. Last year, Grumman dropped its first game and had to battle it out in the losers' bracket.

This year, the varsity journeyed to Lubbock, Texas, with a slew of tourney titles in its pocket. At the first annual Grumman Invitational in July, they humbled the national champs from Sikorsky for the championship. Then they travelled to Livington, New Jersey and swept the Regional Industrial tourney three straight games.

Keeping to their winning ways, the Grumman Tomcats entered an open tourney at New Bedford, Mass.—they beat out 10 other teams for the tourney crown.

Keeping pace

So when it came time to fly to Texas, the Grumman squad had winning in their blood. Unfortunately, the team drew Budweiser—the team that knocked Grumman into the losers' bracket last year.

Grumman lost 11-8. The long struggle in the losers' division began once again, but this year the varsity was not about to finish 22nd. They were going to move up the ranking ladder to fifth place. But it would take a lot of victories—one loss and the squad was out.

With Bob Beattie and Frank Straub leading the offensive attack, Grumman beat Texas Instruments, 11-7. The next victim to fall was Southwire of Georgia, 20-3—the first of five games the varsity had to play that day. Carl Saulino and Joe Rivera were leaders in this romp.

Winning ways

Against Offutts Air Force Base of Nebraska, Grumman found itself losing 8-1 in the third inning. Eventually, the varsity got its act together and Tom Marion knocked in the winning run. The score: 9-8.

Playing on the only regulation softball field, Grumman beat Oklahoma's Phillips 66 team by the score of 23-18. Beattie and Rivera knocked two over the fence each, while Mike Gallo, Dom Pagnozzi, Bill DeWitt and Joe Collelouri each hit homers, too.

Giant Wholesale of North Carolina fell to Grumman, 13-4. DeWitt hit a grand slam homer, while Tony D'Ambrosio went three-for-four at the plate.

The 11th hour of play finally brought defeat to the Grumman varsity. Houston Police gunned down the Tomcats, 6-3.

Beattie was named to the All-American squad. Grumman finished in respectable fifth place, but it must have hurt when the defending champs from Sikorsky stepped into the winning circle.

Top home run hitter this season was Bob Beattie with 35; he batted .520 with 99 RBIs. Larry Bates hit 26 homers and finished with a .527 batting average.

Mike Gallo led the varsity in the RBI category with 104; Mike batted .510. Tony D'Ambrosio had the highest batting average with .541.

Other players and their batting averages were: Kevin Armstrong, .339; Joe Colleluori, .469; Bill Diercks, .545; Jay Johnson, .370; Tom Marion, .404; Bill Ostrosky, .392; Dom Pagnozzi, .482; Joe Rivera, .472; Carl Saulino, .370; Steve Sciancalepore, .306; Don Stahl, .313; Frank Straub, .427; and Wayne Wright, .333.

Tomcats '80. *Members of the Grumman varsity softball squad are (L to R) front row — Dom Pagnozzi, Joe Colleluori, Carl Saulino, Mike Gallo, Frank Straub, and Tony D'Ambrosio; back row — Jay Johnson, team manager Jack Keane, Bill DeWitt, Bob Beattie, Bill Ostrosky, Tom Marion, Joe Rivera, Larry Bates, Don Stahl and Kevin Armstrong.*

...women fare no better in Tennessee

While fellow Grummanites relaxed during the Labor Day weekend, the women's varsity softball team was working hard on the fields of the National Industrial Tournament site in Cleveland, Tenn.

The Grumman women journeyed to the Nationals with plenty of victories under their belts. . .14 wins and zip losses in regular season play and the Metro Industrial championship title. Their aim was to better last year's national ranking of 20th.

They did just that. Grumman finished eighth out of 31 talent-heavy industrial teams.

In the double elimination tourney, Grumman dropped the first game to third-ranked St. Paul Companies of Minnesota, 6-0. Moving into the losers' bracket, Grumman defeated F.W. Woolworth of South Carolina, 16-9. Karen Parvinello went three-for-five with one homer; Peggy Sticco went three-for-five and scored two runs.

Back on the winning track, Grumman shot down Cessna Aircraft of Kansas, 15-9. Bonnie Dressler led the defense with six put-outs; Robin Fey and Linda Schrage went two-for-four at the plate.

By the time Grumman finished playing these three games it was 3 o'clock in the morning. Says Ellen Drasser of Recreation, "You couldn't see the players' legs from the knees down. . .the ground fog had rolled in. Our field was the only one lighted in the huge softball field complex."

After a good night's sleep, the Grummanites defeated Salem Carpet of Tennessee, 14–8. Schrage was top defensive star with nine put-outs, while Pat Davis connected for four hits and scored two runs.

The winners had a tougher time against MBI of Oklahoma. In the seventh inning with the score tied 8–8, Grumman had runners on first and second. Debbie Bianco hit a sacrifice fly to centerfield. Diane Barnes tagged up at second and slid into home. After the dust settled, Grumman had sewed up its fourth straight victory.

Exhaustion finally took its toll. Grumman dropped the next game, 22-2, to Phillip Morris of Virginia (defending champion). The Grumman women had done what they had set out to do. They moved their national ranking up to eighth place. . .a commendable jump from 20th.

Upon returning to Long Island, the varsity successfully defended its L.I. Industrial championship title. They smacked 60 hits, while their opponents only mustered 19. Grumman players crossed home plate 46 times; their opponents circled the bases only 15 times.

On the way to the finals, they beat Nassau Hospital, 16–2; and American Hydron, 13–3.

In the championship game, Grumman took on its arch-rivals from Pan Am. In a see-saw battle, the lead changed five times. In the top of the seventh inning with the score 8–8, Grumman pounded out 10 hits and scored nine times. Pan Am only put two runners across the plate. Grumman successfully defended its Long Island crown, 17–10.

Bound for glory. *Members of the 1980 Grumman varsity softball team get ready to depart for the Nationals in Cleveland, Tenn. (L to R) front row — Linda Schrange, Karen Parvinello, Pat Davis, Diane Barnes, Robin Fey, Lorraine McCormack, Joan Coady, Bonnie Dressler and Ellen Drasser (GAA); back row — Ken Kretschman (mgr.), Carol Glasser, Tom Meyer, Terry Vetter, Debbie Bianco, Diane Matzinger, Sue Fisher, Vicki Kral, Sue Kretschman, Ellen Swicord, Peggy Sticco, Jim McCormack and Al Grillo.*

Golf varsity still dominates LI play

There were quite a few new faces on this year's Grumman varsity golf squad, but they performed well under the trial by fire. Once again, Grumman won the Long Island Industrial championship.

There was plenty of competition from Sperry and LILCO. Grumman dropped its only match to Sperry, 5-3, early in the season. "It put a lot of pressure on the varsity right down to the last night of play," says Gene Goltz, team manager.

Roster rundown

Goltz supplied a quick rundown on the members of this year's championship squad:

Jim Minsky . . . "son of a professional golfer . . . just about the best hitter on Long Island . . . hits the ball long and straight . . . the key to the varsity."

Bob Chalus . . . "possesses excellent concentration . . . very good putter—especially in pressure situations . . . teams well with Minsky . . . they complement each other's game."

Perry DiMattia . . . "like Minsky, a long ball hitter and son of a pro . . . great potential . . . future leader of the varsity . . . always a birdie threat."

Steve Lake . . . "all round golfer . . . determined competitor . . . Perry and Steve are very compatible as a team . . . keeps on sinking hole winning putts and then Perry pops in a birdie."

Al Herring . . . "solid, experienced golfer . . . fine competitor." *Walter Steigel* . . . "former assistant pro, new to Grumman . . . part of the new generation of varsity golfers." *Bob Murray* . . . "used to play for Republic, strong, balanced game . . . better than he thinks he is." Bill Bartoszak and Tony Uravitch . . . "both long ball hitters . . . veteran golfers . . . fine putters."

Open trials

Goltz and coach Mike Cherry attributes the team's dominance of Long Island industrial play to the yearly open trials. "The top Grumman golfers compete for the first eight slots on the varsity every year," says Goltz. "That way Grumman fields the best players every year. No one is given a varsity slot based on past performance. Every spring you have to go back out and prove it."

Kings of the fairway. *Members of the Long Island golf championship team, the Grumman varsity, are (L to R) kneeling — captain Jim Minshy, Steve Lake, Bob Chalus and Perry DiMattia; standing — Mike Cherry (GAA), Al Herring, Walter Steigele, Bob Murray and Gene Goltz (team mgr.). Missing from photo session where Bill Bartoszak and Tony Uravitch.*

Grumman expanded its fairway this year. The varsity entered the Eastern States Industrial Championship Tournament at the Westover Golf Club, Norristown, Pa.

The team consisting of Minsky, Lake, Chalus and DiMattia finished in fourth place in the Class A division. Grummanites Herrying, Stiegele, Murray and Bartoszak joined forces and came in eighth.

Lake shot 82-74-156 to finish sixth in individual play—six strokes behind the winner.

"Sixty-six industrial teams entered this new tourney," says Cherry. "The Eastern champion tournament gives us a new goal to shoot for next year."

scorecard

Varsity hoopsters

The defending champs of the L.I. Industrial and the Glen Cove Open basketball leagues will hold try-outs at the Charles Campagne School in Bethpage next month. Trials will take place on October 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Coachs Ronnie Knight and Russ Goss report that the team is looking for defensive rebounders and team-oriented players.

Army tickets

On Saturday, November 1, the West Point football team takes on Rutgers at Michie Stadium. Grumman Recreation has mustered up a block of tickets to this gridiron event at the U.S. Military Academy.

Tickets cost $8; round-trip bus transportation is available for $7. Seats are in Section 22. You can purchase tickets at the Recreation building on South Oyster Bay Road. For more information, contact Recreation, Ext. 2133.

Basketball sign-up

An organizational meeting for the 1980 intramural basketball league is slated for Wednesday, October 1, in the Recreation office on South Oyster Bay Road at 5 p.m.

All team captains should attend; rosters should be submitted at this time. If you wish to play but are not on a team roster, call Recreation, Ext. 2133/2269.

Good volley

The 1980-81 volleyball season begins Monday, October 20 at the Pine Ave. School in Bethpage. The weekly sessions will be held Mondays from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, contact Johnny Woods, Ext. 115-3610.

Great Adventure

If you're planning to visit Great Adventure this autumn, stop by your nearest Employee Services (ES) office for a special discount coupon.

These coupons entitle the holder to a $5 discount on weekdays and a $3.50 discount on weekends on admission to this New Jersey amusement park.

Casino time

If you'd like to travel by bus to Atlantic City on October 15, give Grumman Recreation a call on Ext. 2133.

Employees, family members and retirees are invited. The $18 per person fee includes bus transportation, lunch, show, and a box of taffy.

We meet at last. *Joan and Alan Haycock of the Isle of Man, the British Isles, received the Amateur Radio Club's WAG award from Dick Towne and Club President Ray Schubnel. The club members and Alan speak every Sunday by radio.*

Hagen continues to rule floral show

Veteran gardener Karl Hagen took top honors at the Grumman Garden Forum's Fall Show on September 16 in the Plant 30 cafeteria.

No newcomer to the winner's circle, Karl has been growing and exhibiting prize-winning flowers for nearly 20 years. His entry, a dark-red dahlia named "Tommy's Pride," was unanimously declared the "Best in Show."

Now a Grumman retiree, Karl won his first flower show shortly after he joined the company in 1951. The secret, he says, is in the quality of care each plant receives. Dahlias are his first love and his garden contains more than 150 of the colorful shrubs. "My flowers," he says, "bring me great pleasure and satisfaction."

More winners

Additional winners (according to category) were:

Dahlia, Single Specimen — 1st and HM, Karl Hagen; 2nd, Esther Kargauer; 3rd, Joan McGuckin;

Seasonal Assortment — 1st, Kargauer; 2nd, Dot Kappenberg; 3rd, Lillian Fink; HM, Rhodes Copithorn;

Season Material — 1st and 2nd, Mike Gabriel; 3rd, Kappenberg; HM, Frank Sadowski;

Novice — 1st, Judy Cote; 2nd, Amy Blackwell; 3rd, Bob Reed; HM, Margaret Mezzacapo;

Arrangements — 1st, Barbara Spanske; 2nd, Kappenberg; 3rd, John Gatti; HM, Hagen;

Fruits — 1st, Suey Jue; 2nd and HM, Charles Chlanda; 3rd, Jerry Minerva;

Vegetables: Class 7 — 1st, Sadowski; 2nd, Ham Le Porte; 3rd, Gatti; HM, Kleiman;

Vegetables: Class 8 — 1st, Chlanda; 2nd, Dick Brummer; 3rd, Frank Bollero; HM, Sadowski;

Houseplants — 1st, Pam Sechrengost; 2nd, Judy Cote; 3rd, Barbara Lorelli; HM, Tom Cummiskey;

Houseplants: Hanging Baskets — 1st, Mezzacapo; 2nd, Ed Vasta; 3rd, Cummiskey; HM, Artie Schwenker.

Piled high. *Grumman retiree Karl Hagen smiles behind a mountain of prizes he received at the Grumman Garden Forum's Fall Show.*

Need a ride?

BOHEMIA: to plt 15, 7:30am-4pm, will share gas. R. Swanda x3195

CENTRAL ISLIP/BRENTWOOD/HAUPPAUGE: looking to join carpool or possibly arrange for ride from any convenient location to plt 5, 8am-4:30. K. Zapka, x9670/234-3181

COMMACK: to Bethpage, plt 5, want to start new (or join exist) carpool, 8am-4:30pm shift. J. Langford Jr., x3613

MILLER PLACE: to plt 5, 8am-4:30pm, need ride or riders or join or start pool. J. Titterington 473-8677

LEVITTOWN: to plt 12, "new south road"-Bethpage, 7:30am-4pm. J. Lesser, x5235

FORT SALONGA: to Bethpage, person to join exist 3 person carpool. T. Geraci x8677/261-8728

QUEENS BLVD & WOODHAVEN BLVD: or join en route to Bethpage via LIE, 7am-3:30pm, vanpool. M. Conforti x5851

BROOKLYN: Belt Pkwy to Bethpage. J. Canciglia x4481/4875

obituaries

EDWARD A. LEWIS JR. of Tool Fab. Mgmt/Staff, Pl. 2, died Aug. 21 at the age of 48. He had been with the company since 1963 and resided at 47 Trouville Road, Copiague.

CHARLES M. COSS JR. of ILS Mechanical Eng/Des., Pl. 1, died Aug. 21 at the age of 63. He had been with the company since 1962 and resided at 15 High St., Farmingdale.

JOHN SCARPINATO of Steel Parts Assembly, Pl. 2, died Aug. 21 at the age of 61. He had been with the company since 1940 and resided at 10 Palm St., Lindenhurst.

EDMUND SPILIK of Plastic/Plaster Tooling, Pl. 11, died Aug. 22 at the age of 53. He had been with the company since 1954 and resided at 46 Merokee Pl., Farmingdale.

AUSTIN SISSON of Prototype, Pl. 2, died Aug. 28 at the age of 56. He had been with the company since 1965 and resided at 18 Cedar Dr., Farmingdale.

JOHN F. HUTTER of Prod. Release & Analysis, Pl. 2, died Sept. 1 at the age of 64. He had been with the company since 1965 and resided at 46 Mar-Kan Dr., Northport.

GEORGE HIRSCHBERGER of Reliability Maintenance & Safety Staff, Pl. 35, died Aug. 31 at the age of 55. He had been with the company since 1964 and resided at 84 Kathleen Dr., Syosset

JACK FURINO of Prototype/Detail Parts, Pl. 77, died Sept. 1 at the age of 58. He had been with the company since 1966 and resided at 411 S.E. Sunnydale Lane, Pt. St. Lucie, Fla. 33452

LAURENCE PRESTON FLOOD of Flight Operations/Gulf, Pl. 4, died Aug. 30 at the age of 60. He had been with the company since 1965 and resided at 242 Corvert St., Westbury.

Equestrians riding high

On Sunday, September 7, three members of the Grumman Equestrian Club rode in their first horse show of the season. The show, Pegasus Place First Fall Show, was held on the grounds of the Muttontown Preserve for the benefit of the League of Animal Protection.

Grummanites who participated were Julie Brooks, Cheryl Tellefsen and Ruth Geiger.

Brooks placed: Open adult equitation champion; special hunter reserve champion, 1st in open adult equi. over fences 2'9", 2nd in open adult WTC (walk-trot-canter), 2nd in special hunter o/f 2'9", 2nd in special hunter under saddle, 3rd in open adult equi. o/f 2'6", and 4th in hunter/equi. warm-up.

Tellefsen placed: 1st in open adult WTC, 2nd in open adult hunter/equi. warm-up o/f 2'6", 1st in open adult equi. o/f 2'6", 2nd in beg. adult WTC, 2nd in beg. adult WT, and 5th in beg. adult over crossbars.

Geiger placed: 4th in english/ western pleasure, 2nd in bridle path hack, 2nd in beg. adult over crossbars, 4th in beg. adult WTC, and 6th in open adult WTC.

While Tellefsen was busy placing sixth in maiden adult WTC and third in maiden hunter over fences 2'6" at the Glen Head Fall Show on September 14, Brooks and Geiger were busy getting their horses in shape for their first fox hunt, slated for the end of September on Fire Island.

Club offering computer series

This fall, the Grumman Computer Club is presenting a series of lectures on computer fundamentals and classes on the BASIC language.

No prior knowledge of computers is needed. Those Grummanites who wish to understand computers professionally or just as a hobby are invited to sign up for these sessions.

The first lecture will take place on Tuesday, September 30, in the Plant 25 conference rooms. It is important that you call and sign up prior to attending. For information and registration, contact Irwin Tish, Ext. 115-4783 or Jim Hart, Ext. 117-7107.

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